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SUBJECT: F-5 PROGRAM FOR YEMEN

REFS: A) JIDDA 2039; B) JIDDA 1899; C) JIDDA 1665;
D) JIDDA 1282; E) STATE 250737

1. DEPARTMENT HAS DECIDED TO POSTPONE PROVISION OF P AND B
DATA AND PREPARATION OF LOA FOR ENGLISH-LANGUAGE TRAINING
(ELT) OF YEMENIS WITHIN SAUDI F-5 TRAINING PROGRAM UNTIL
POLICY REVIEW ON MILITARY TRANSFERS IS COMPLETED. WE WISH
TO EXAMINE QUESTION OF F-5 SALES (AND TRANSFERS) TO YAR IN
LIGHT OF FORTHCOMING NEW POLICY GUIDELINES AND, UNTIL
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THAT TIME, WISH TO AVOID STEPS WHICH MIGHT IMPLY BASIC
DECISION ON PROGRAM HAS ALREADY BEEN TAKEN.

2. IN THIS SPIRIT, WE PREFER AT THIS TIME NOT TO TREAT ELT
AND TECHNICAL PILOT TRAINING AS SEPARATE PROGRAMS BECAUSE
CONTEXT IN WHICH LOA ON ELT IS DEVELOPED WOULD IMPLY
APPROVAL OF F-5 TRANSFER, EVEN IF LOA ITSELF MADE NO

MENTION OF AIRCRAFT.

3. FYI: YOU WILL RECALL (REFTEL E) THAT DEPARTMENT HAD EARLIER DETERMINED THAT ENGLISH-LANGUAGE TRAINING FOR YAR STUDENTS WOULD NOT CONSTITUTE A THIRD PARTY TRANSFER,

BUT HAD NONETHELESS DECIDED TO INFORM CONGRESS OF THIS PROGRAM BECAUSE OF ITS POLITICAL SENSITIVITY. SAUDIS SUBSEQUENTLY INFORMED DEPSEC DEFENSE CLEMENTS DURING LATTER'S TRIP TO SAUDI ARABIA THAT THEY DID NOT WISH AT THAT TIME TO PROVIDE ELT FOR YAR STUDENTS. WE HAVE ACCORDINGLY NOT YET CONSULTED WITH CONGRESS ON THIS MATTER, AND WOULD NOT WISH TO DO SO AT THIS TIME IN VIEW OF FACTORS NOTED PARA 1 ABOVE. END FYI.

4. PLEASE ADVISE IF THIS LATEST DECISION ON ELT WITHIN SAUDI F-5 PROGRAM POSES PROBLEMS FOR THE SAG.
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